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AMEMBASSY KINSHASA IMMEDIATE

AMEMBASSY LISBON IMMEDIATE

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OF US AIRCRAFT

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SUMMARY: CLEARANCES REQUESTED REFTEL PENDING. GOG DECISION EXPECTED BY 0700Z, BUT EMBASSY PREDICTS NO BETTER THAN 50 PERCENT CHANCE FLIGHTS WILL BE AUTHORIZED. CANVAS OF ALL AV FUEL SUPPLIERS SHOWS 2 TO MAXIMUM 3 DAYS FUEL REQUIREMENT LOCALLY AVAILABLE. ABIDJAN SUGGESTED AS OTHER POSSIBLE FUELING POINT.

1. AT 20:10Z EMBASSY CONTACTED HEAD OF CIVIL AVIATION ETOUGE WHO CURRENTLY SEEKING RESPONSE TO OVERFLIGHT LANDING REQUEST FROM "HIGHER" AUTHORITY. ALTHOUGH THIS RESPONSE ORIGINALLY EXPECTED 22:30Z STILL NOT RECEIVED 01:00Z, 10TH. BELIEVE ETOUGE TRYING TO CONTACT GABONESE PRESIDENT BONGO WHO IS IN PARIS FOR PRIVATE VISIT.

COMMENT: EXTREMELY UNUSUAL FOR LANDING CLEARANCE TO REQUIRE THIS LEVEL AUTHORIZATION, BUT EMBASSY HAS PRIOR EVIDENCE SENSITIVITY ANGOLA REFUGEE ISSUE. PRESIDENT BONGO PERSONALLY INTERVENED AUG 30 WHEN FISHING BOATS WITH 60 PORTUGUESE REFUGEES PUT INTO PORT GENTIL. BOATS WERE ORDERED TO LEAVE WITHIN HOUR.

2. EMBOFF CONTACTED ACTING HEAD OF GOVT. MIGOLET AT 24:00Z FOLLOWING ADVICE OF MRS. ETOUGE THAT HUSBAND WAS CONFERING WITH HIM. MIGOLET HAD NOT TALKED WITH ETOUGE, BUT PROMISES DECISION ON OVERLIGHT/LANDING BY 0700Z.

3. AT THIS POINT EMBASSY CANNOT PREDICT DECISION GOG, BUT BELIEVE NO BETTER THAN 50 PERCENT CHANCE FLIGHTS WILL BE AUTHORIZED.

4. IF FLIGHTS AUTHORIZED NO PROBLEM ANTICIPATED STAGING RELIEF CREWS. AIRPORT VISAS CAN BE OBTAINED IF NECESSARY.

5. TAP FLIGHTS SUSPENDED IN GABON OVER ONE WEEK AGO BECAUSE THEIR FUEL DEMANDS TOO GREAT. AIR AFRIQUE HAS BEEN CONTACTED AND AGREES TO SERVICE TWO FLIGHTS DAILY BEGINNING 10TH.

6. FUEL SUPPLY MAJOR PROBLEM. HAVE CONTACTED TWO OF TOTAL THREE AV FUEL DISTRIBUTORS, ELF AND MOBIL. POOLING ALL LOCAL RESOURCES GUARANTEE DAILY 121 CUBIC METERS JET A-1 FOR TWO DAYS POSSIBLY A THIRD DAY. AFTER THAT HIGHLY DOUBTFUL THAT REFUELING CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED HERE.
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COMMENT: LOCAL AV FUEL DISTRIBUTORS SUGGEST ABIDJAN AS POSSIBLE FUEL SOURCE, POINTING OUT THAT TAP HAS ROUTED FLIGHTS THROUGH ABIDJAN BECAUSE OF FUEL AVAILABILITY.

7. EMBASSY WILL CABLE NIACT IMMEDIATE GOG DECISION RE EVACUATION FLIGHTS. STEIGMAN

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